GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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Smart Class
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the government has any Plan to install "Smart Class Setup" among the entire Kendriya Vidyalayas and Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas and if so, the details thereof;
(b) whether the Government has implemented any steps to increase computer literacy among school teachers, administrators and students, if so, the details thereof;
(c) the details of funds spent on the said programme during the last 5 years;
(d) whether these steps have led to an increased use of computers and ICT in schools across India and details thereof; and
(e) the number of schools which have benefitted from such steps and details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA)
(a) to (e): The Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS) has already established 7250 e-Classrooms across the Country. Similarly, 514 Navodaya Vidyalayas (NVS) have Smart Classrooms. Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in schools component is implemented under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) to cover Government and Government aided secondary and higher secondary schools in the country. The scheme endeavours to make all students of these schools computer literate through provision of ICT infrastructure, engagement of an exclusive teacher and capacity enhancement of all teachers for use of ICT. Besides, an amount of Rs.50 lakhs per District per annum is sanctioned to States / UTs under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) for Computer Aided Learning (CAL). During 2016-17, an amount of Rs.311.95 crores have been allocated for Computer Aided Learning in 8226 government upper primary schools, including Rs.164.93 crores for Rashtriya Avishkar Abhiyan (RAA).
The details of funds spent on various ICT related programmes during the last 5 years are as under:-
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(Rs. in crores)
Organisation/
Scheme
YEARS No. of beneficiary
2011-12 2012-13 2013-14 2014-15 2015-16 schools / class-rooms
KVS 13.93 17.63 NIL 65.57 62.75 7,250 class rooms
NVS 21.44 14.60 20.89 17.86 21.91 514 schools
RMSA 492.34 428.88 471.78 518.58 434.73 58,688 schools
SSA* # 37834.09 44087.14 39947.52 41909.86 44227.18 54,16,847 schools
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* Intervention-wise release of central share is not made.
# Expenditure shown under SSA is against receipts from Central release, state share release, Finance Commission Award and Miscellaneous incomes, if any.
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